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Country/ entity	Papua New Guinea Bougainville
Region	Asia and Pacific Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Cairns Commitment on Implementation of the Agreement Concerning the Neutral Regional Truce Monitoring Group for Bougainville
Date	24 Nov 1997
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Bougainville Conflict (1987 - 1998))
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Bougainville: peace process
Parties	Note: Parties are not listed in agreement, but instead agreement states that the parties are the same as the parties to the Burnham Truce. National Govt of PNG, Bougainville Transitional Govt, the Resistance, the Bougainville Interim Govt, Bougainville Revolutionary Army
Third parties	-
Description	Agreement establishing Truce Monitoring Group further to Burnham Truce agreement, and Peace Consultative Committee.

**Agreement
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Groups

Children/ youth	No specific mention.
Disabled persons	No specific mention.

Elderly/age	No specific mention.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ethnic/national group	No specific mention.
Religious groups	No specific mention.
Indigenous people	No specific mention.
Other groups	No specific mention.
Refugees/displaced persons	No specific mention.
Social class	No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender	No specific mention.
Men and boys	No specific mention.
LGBTI	No specific mention.
Family	No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general) No specific mention.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/secession No specific mention.

Accession/unification No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral commission	No specific mention.
Political parties reform	No specific mention.
Civil society	Page 2, 5. The Peace Consultative Committee may, by unanimous consent of its members, invite representatives of other groups or bodies or person to become members.
Traditional/ religious leaders	No specific mention.
Public administration	No specific mention.
Constitution	No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power sharing	No specific mention.
Territorial power sharing	No specific mention.
Economic power sharing	No specific mention.
Military power sharing	No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access No specific mention.

Protection measures No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction No specific mention.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/ rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/ nomadism rights No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access	No specific mention.
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Security sector

Security Guarantees	Page 1, 1. The bodies and groups represented will: ... (c) ensure that the Truce Monitoring Group issue at all times from attack, interference or hindrance;
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Ceasefire	No specific mention.
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Police	No specific mention.
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Armed forces	No specific mention.
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DDR	No specific mention.
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Intelligence services	No specific mention.
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Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	No specific mention.
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Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
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Corruption	No specific mention.
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Crime/
organised
crime No specific mention.

Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional
justice
general No specific mention.

Amnesty/
pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner
release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing
persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

Implementation

UN No specific mention.
signatory

Other No specific mention.
international
signatory

Referendum No specific mention.
for
agreement

International No specific mention.
mission/
force/similar

Enforcement mechanism Page 1,
2. Consistent with the Agreement establishing the Truce Monitoring Group, the parties agree to establish the Peace Consultative Committee provided for in the Agreement in order to facilitate consultation and liaison -
- among themselves;
- through the Truce Steering Committee, including the Commander, with the Truce Monitoring group; and
- at the local level.

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3. The parties recognise that the role of the Peace Consultative Committee is to review and assess implementation adherence by the signatories to the Truce. The Peace Consultative Committee will receive regular reports from the Truce Monitoring Group on the implementation, progress and success of the Truce. The Peace Consultative Committee will have no direct involvement in the command or the deployment decisions made by the Truce Monitoring Group;

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4. The Peace Consultative Committee will have the following composition:

(a) Core members:

National Government - 3

BTG - 2

BIG - 2

BRA - 2

Resistance- 2

(b) The Chairman will be elected from among the core members

(c) The Committee will determine its working arrangements including frequency of meetings

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5. The Peace Consultative Committee may, by unanimous consent of its members, invite representatives of other groups or bodies or person to become members.

This Commitment shall take effect as of the date of signature, and shall be reviewed when the leaders meet in January, 1998.

Related cases Page 1,
Recalling and reaffirming the agreements and recommendations embodied in the Turnham Truce, signed at Turnham Military Camp, New Zealand, on 10th October 1997 ("the truce")

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